THOUSAND OAKS, Calif., March 6, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- Uncompromised: The Lupe Anguiano Story is now available on Amazon.com. One of America's unsung heroes, Lupe spent her life serving others and following her strong Catholic faith. She spent her childhood picking fruit with her family and, after graduating high school, decided to become a missionary nun. She found herself at odds with the church because she took a literal interpretation of Vatican II, which Pope John XXIII introduced in 1962. "This Pope was really strong, and in examining the social teachings of the church, made statements that challenged nuns and priests to minister to the people, not asking them to leave religious life, but to get out of their comfort zones and go out and minister to people like Christ did. He told us not to be afraid to be witnesses to what's right and what's wrong. This was a major change for the Roman Catholic Church. Well, that just gave me wings!" said Lupe.

As a habit-wearing nun, Lupe picketed in front of the Cardinal of Los Angeles in 1963 to protest the church's tolerance of the racially discriminatory practice of "Redlining." After 15 years, Lupe left the Order to better serve the people. She helped the poor in East LA and developed a teen program for gang members that turned lives around and produced a number of Latino leaders of California. She helped Cesar Chavez with the Great Grape Boycott and so much more.

Her most successful achievement was in Welfare Reform. She believed that welfare was a trap and disrespectful of women. Lupe gained national media recognition including a feature on "60 Minutes" and received the support of several presidents for her groundbreaking work in welfare reform that spread throughout the United States. Her solution to welfare reform is still relevant today.
"Writing about Lupe was an adventure and a healing process. Her simple and often funny perspective is the type of grounding and reset we all need," says author Debbie Wright, who initially met Lupe at a lunch with her husband, Steve, who had once worked with Lupe to establish a computer training program in a local community college. "Experiencing history through Lupe’s eyes is a story where political correctness takes a back seat to a very sharp woman who cares more about others than herself."

Debbie conducted over 50 hours of private interviews and travelled with Lupe to the site of her greatest accomplishments in San Antonio, Texas. The Lupe Anguiano Archives at the UCLA Chicano Studies Research Center was an invaluable resource. The book includes the adulatory remarks of Gloria Steinem and Henry Cisneros at the Lupe Anguiano Archive Event at UCLA.

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